IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	Application of:)
Renato CAPONI et al.) Group Art Unit: 3663
Application No.: 10/568,080) Examiner: DIACOU, Ari M
Filed:	February 13, 2006)
For:	MULTI-STAGE OPTICAL AMPLIFIER OPTIMIZED WITH RESPECT TO NOISE, GAIN AND BANDWIDTH) Confirmation No.: 7439)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

Applicants submit this Reply in response to the non-final Office Action mailed November 21, 2007, the period for response being extended through May 21, 2008, with the concurrent filing of a petition for a three-month extension of time and payment of the required fee. Applicants respectfully traverse all pending objections and rejections and request reconsideration of the application, as presently amended.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment sections of this paper.